



Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission February 5, 2008

Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission held on February 5, 2008, 7:00 p.m., at the Tempe, Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present: Alex Austin, Carmen Gammage, Allie Gorton, Jevin Hodge, Cecilia Iole, Enrico Lage, Caitlin Long, Sachin Nair, Corie Owens, Jeremy Pompa, Veekas Shrivastava, Kimberly Trudgen, Gonzalo Vilichis and Kurtis Zinger.

MEMBERS Absent: James Funk, Leslie Klein, Amanda Lovins, and Brant Ziemba.

City Staff Present: Kim Bauman

Guests Present: None

Meeting convened at 7:01 p.m.

Allie Gorton called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Minutes from January 15, 2008 Meeting

Veekas Shrivastava read the minutes from the January 15, 2008 meeting.

MOTION: **Cecilia Iole** motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: **Kurtis Zinger** seconded the motion.

DECISION: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 2 – Treasurer's Report

Caitlin Long provided the treasurer's report.

Agenda Item 3- Announcements

- 1) **Allie Gorton** had MYAC members sign a thank you letter to Mayor Hallman for meeting with them on January 15th.
- 2) **Allie Gorton** announced that the 2nd annual Youth Leadership Day will be held on March 17th which is the Monday following spring break. Attendees will have to miss a full day of school. Five MYAC members can attend the conference. Interested MYAC members were given application packets which they need in by February 19th.
- 3) **Kim Bauman** reminded MYAC members they will be participating in a needs assessment focus group at our next meeting. She distributed a copy of the focus group questions to members.
- 4) **Kim Bauman** announced that Tempe Youth Showcase auditions will be held on April 12th. A flyer on the auditions was made available to MYAC members.

Agenda Item 4 – Student Government Day Review

Corie Owens, Student Government Day Chair had commission members provide feedback on Student Government Day. Program evaluations were very positive and MYAC members felt the event was successful.

Agenda Item 5 – 2008 Youth Town Hall Topics

Veekas Shrivasta, Youth Town Hall Chair had MYAC members review a list of suggested Town Hall topics from last year's event evaluations and finalize 2008 Youth Town Hall topics. MYAC members selected the following topics for this year's town hall:

- Addressing Teen Depression & Suicide
- Preventing Teen Drug Use
- Addressing Teen Sexual Behavior

Agenda Item 6 – Youth Town Hall Planning

Veekas Shrivasta had MYAC members break into committees, elect a committee chair and begin Youth Town Hall planning. The commission then reconvened and provided the following update:

- **Sachin Nair, Registration Committee Chair** reported that student applications will be sent to the schools on Monday, February 11th and the deadline date to return applications will be March 5th.
- **Cecilia Iole, Program Committee Chair** reported their committee discussed whether to have a keynote speaker this year. The committee decided to contact Donald Smith to see if he is available to provide a keynote speech.
- **Kurtis Zinger, Food Committee** reported they plan to use Dilly's Deli for the event lunch.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

- Participation in Needs Assessment Focus Group
- Youth Town Hall Planning

The Commission's next meeting will be **February 19, 2008**.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Prepared by: Kurtis Zinger

Reviewed by: Kimberly Trudgen

Kimberly Trudgen, MYAC Vice Chairperson
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